



“Working together
to make a difference
in Chesterville...”
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Bursary Project

Besides the children living at its children’s foster home, Vukukhanye is presently supporting eighteen bursary students; 5 at tertiary institutions and 13 at school. Thank you to our generous partners, particularly Suncoast (who support 16 bursars and are committed to the selection of 4 new children each year); and Prestige Cleaning Services whose funding is helping Philile complete her 3rd year BSc, and also contributes to the educational expenses for the children’s foster home. We are very proud of the bursars, who are progressing well. Congratulations to Slindile for achieving first place in Grade 11 and Sibonelo for being accepted at EtheKwini Geocivil Consulting Engineers for his Civil Engineering in-service training, after which he will complete S4. Other tertiary fields being studied are Biological Sciences, Marketing Management, B.Com and Nursing



9 of the bursars with their parents

Quote...

“When you educate a girl in Africa, everything changes. She’ll be three times less likely to get HIV/AIDS, earn 25 percent more income and have a smaller, healthier family.” (Camfed)



Jes Foord Community Care Centre



Vukukhanye’s two community workers continue to conduct home visits and follow up on vulnerable families in Chesterville. Services include social needs assistance, accessing official documentation and grants, support of child-headed families and families in crisis, infant formula, food and school needs, follow-up on cases of child-abuse and material support. Partnership with the Starfish Foundation has contributed significantly to the sustainability of these services.

Counselling & supportive services are offered at the Community Care Centre 4 days per week, with an average of 10 clients per day. A caregiver support programme, designed by Zoë-Life, was recently completed. The course covered grieving, care and discipline of children, nutritional information, management and treatment of HIV and wellness.



Caregiver Support Programme Graduation



Vukukhanye Educare Centre

The educare centre (in Chesterville), which operates from two new prefabricated classrooms and five 2nd hand park homes, started on the 15th of February 2012. Twenty-three children under 4 years are enrolled, with seven volunteer staff (1 supervisor, 4 teachers and 2 kitchen & cleaning staff).

All 7 staff are currently enrolled in a 6-month early childhood development training course through Phakamisa. Training is conducted at Phakamisa twice a month, and will include on-site support. The staff is also receiving informal support with weekly theme preparation.

Two of the ladies with some of the Phakamisa training material.....>



THE SCHOOL VEGETABLE GARDEN STARTING TO PRODUCE...



Recent improvements have included brick paving and drainage, as well as kitchen sink and work surface installation. The children receive breakfast and lunch daily, as well as a morning snack.



FACT

Over 6 million children in South Africa don't have access to early childhood development



SPONSOR A CHILD



In order to assist with the long-term sustainability of the school, we are inviting individuals and companies to sponsor a specific child - monthly or annual donations will supplement the child's fees.

R250/child/month (or R2,500 per year) will cover all costs, including meals, gas, teacher's stipends and consumables.

DONATE SECURELY (reference 'ECD') VIA ...

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